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the affairs of the society that shall then come before them, and they shall begin an hour at least after the time appointed for meeting, and shall choose a chairman, and after the choice of a chairman, shall continue for the space of one hour at least; and if any chairman of the said general meetings shall refuse or neglect to put or offer to the consideration and determination of the said general meetings any question or matter which shall be then and there proposed, seconded and insisted on, then the general meeting shall, and they are hereby empowered, to choose another chairman in the room of him so refusing or neglecting as aforesaid; and all and every of the said general meetings may and they are hereby declared to have full power and authority to consider, treat of and determine, concerning all or any the matters and things relating to the said society, and the support, preservation and good order thereof, and to alter and amend the present articles, and make any additional articles which may be deemed conducive to the prosperity of the society, at all which meetings the determination of a majority of the members present shall be conclusive and binding on the whole society.

Article repealed, &c.

II. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the twenty-second article of the original act of incorporation, and to which this is a supplement, be and the same is hereby repealed.

C H A P. XXXVI.

Passed 31st of Dec. 1801. A Further supplement to an act, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the levy court of Montgomery county to assess and levy a sum of money on the assessable property thereof for the purpose of building a new gaol in said county.

Preamble.

HEREAS by the act to which this is a supplement, no provision is made for the removal of prisoners from the old to the new gaol; therefore,

Sheriff shall have power, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the sheriff of Montgomery county shall have power and authority, as soon as he shall have received possession of the new gaol in said county, to remove the prisoners from the old to the new gaol aforesaid, and such removal shall not be considered as an escape, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Court to sell the old gaol,

III. And BE IT ENACTED, That the levy court of Montgomery county is hereby authorised and directed to sell at public auction the old gaol, on giving three weeks previous notice, by advertisement set up at the court-house door, and such other public places as to the said court may seem proper, which old gaol shall be, by the purchaser, removed from the public ground within six months after the day of sale.

Money to be applied, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the money arising from the sale of said gaol shall be applied to the use of the county aforesaid.

Passed 31st of Dec. 1801. C H A P. XXXVII.

An ACT to authorise the persons therein named to build a methodist meeting-house on the public ground in Chester-town, in Kent county.

Preamble.

HEREAS sundry members of the methodist episcopal church in Chester-town, and its vicinity, as well as others, not members of the said church, have by their petition to this general assembly represented, that the meeting-house in the said town is in a ruinous condition, and is moreover so situated as to render it inconvenient to attend the same, and have also represented, that persons of different religious denominations have voluntarily subscribed a sum of money sufficient to build a new meeting-house, which they pray they may be permitted to erect on the public ground in the said town; and the same appearing reasonable, therefore,

Commissioners appointed, II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Benjamin Chambers, James Hodges, junior, James Scott, Cuthbert Hall and doctor James Anderson, junior, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to lay off a quantity of the public ground on the market place in Chester-town, not exceeding ninety feet in length and fifty feet in breadth, on such convenient part thereof as the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall think proper, and to return a certificate thereof, under their hands, to the clerk of Kent county, who is hereby required to record the same among the land records of the said county,

III. And